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Filing Date	06/12/2001
First Named Inventor	COE, BILL J.
Art Unit	3644
Examiner Name	DINH, TIEN QUANG
Attorney Docket Number	7282.4820

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February 17, 2005

In re application of : BILL J. COE
Serial No. : 09/879,419
Filed : JUNE 12, 2001
For : **SOFT LINK FOR CONNECTING A GROUP
OF PARACHUTE SUSPENSION LINES TO
HARNESS VIA RISERS**
Examiner : TIEN QUANG DINH
Art Unit : 3644
Our File No. : 7282.4820

SUBMISSION WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

(NON-ENTERED AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION)

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action issued August 17, 2004, please amend the pending application as indicated.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.